

## 2018 Annual Water Quality Report

The 2018 Water Quality Report is available.

Visit [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Water](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Water) to view the report to learn more about the sources and quality of your drinking water.

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## CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT PROCESS

On December 11, 2018, the City Council approved a process to fill the anticipated City Council District 6 vacancy created by Councilmember Gregg Hart's election to the County of Santa Barbara's Board of Supervisors.

Councilmember Hart was elected to the County Board of Supervisors on June 5, 2018. In anticipation of assuming his new responsibilities, Councilmember Hart has submitted his resignation from the City Council, effective January 7, 2019. This will create a vacancy in the District 6 seat, which will be filled according to the new process that was approved by voters in November 2018.

The City Charter requires that a special election be held in November 2019 to fill the remainder of Councilmember Hart's term, which extends until January 2022. The Council is expected to call that election on January 8, 2019. After calling the special election, the City Council may appoint a qualified candidate to serve on an interim basis until the candidate elected at the special election has taken office. Under the process approved by the City Council, applications for appointment would be accepted beginning on January 9, 2019, with applications due on January 28, 2019. The City Council would conduct candidate interviews on February 5, 2019, with an appointment and swearing in occurring on or after February 12, 2019.



*The City Council is expected to call a special election to fill the remainder of Councilmember Gregg Hart's term, which extends until January 2022.*

## 2019 WATERFRONT PARKING PERMITS NOW ON SALE

Annual Waterfront parking permits are on sale. General permits cost \$125 and slip-permittee permits (one per slip) cost \$95. Permits are valid from the date of purchase through December 31, 2019. General permits are available at the Harbormaster's Office and all Waterfront parking kiosks except Stearns Wharf. Slip-permittee permits may only be purchased at the Harbormaster's Office. Questions? Call (805) 897-1965.



*Get your Waterfront Parking Permit good through December 31, 2019.*

## RAIN ON, SPRINKLERS OFF

### Get a Free Rain Shut-Off Sensor for Your Sprinkler Timer



*Rain shut-off sensors automatically turn off your irrigation system during rain. City water customers can receive a free rain sensor with an Irrigation Evaluation appointment.*

Prepare your landscape for rain with a free rain shut-off sensor. Statewide regulations prohibit irrigation during and 48 hours after rainfall. A rain shut-off sensor automatically stops your sprinkler timer from watering during and immediately after a rain event. When the collected rainwater has evaporated from the device, scheduled irrigation resumes. Rain shut-off sensors work best for short periods; for extended rain periods, it's best to turn sprinkler timers to the "off" position.

Santa Barbara water customers can reduce their winter water consumption by an average of 16 percent with a free rain shut-off sensor; larger properties with water meters dedicated to irrigation can save even more - 36 percent on average.

City of Santa Barbara water customers can call the Water Conservation Hotline at (805) 564-5460 to schedule a free Irrigation Evaluation and receive a free rain shut-off sensor.

To learn more about rain sensors, visit: [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/RainSensor](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/RainSensor).

## NEW ADDITIONS TO POLICE ONLINE REPORTING SYSTEM

The Police Department has made additions to its online reporting system. Now the system accepts the following reports:



*The Police Department's online reporting system now provides more options.*

- Civil Problem – Document a civil problem.
- Supplemental Report – If an original report has already been taken the citizen can add narrative, documents, or photos to the report.
- Suspicious Circumstances – Document/report suspicious incidents.
- Video Registration – Allows citizens the ability to list the cameras they have and a general description of what they capture.
- Anonymous Tips – Send anonymous information about suspicious or criminal activities.

All of the online reports have been translated to Spanish as well.

There is also now an added option of using "Quick Connect". When citizens call in from a cell phone, Quick Connect connects them to a number that will text them a link to do their report online from their phone by calling (833) 827-4038.

To file a report visit: [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/ReportCrime](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/ReportCrime)



### E-WASTE

Recycling Drop-Off

**\*\*FREE for Residents\*\***

**Downtown**  
**Recycling Center**  
**132 Nopalitos Way**

**Mon-Sat 8am - 4pm**

# \$150 REBATE

## WASH, RINSE, REBATE...

### HIGH EFFICIENCY WASHING MACHINE

# \$150 REBATE

Let's Save Together  
**waterwise**  
 City of Santa Barbara

[SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Rebates](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Rebates)

## DON'T CLOG WITH FOG

Did you know that pouring fats, oils, and grease (FOG) down the drain or garbage disposal creates obstructions in underground pipes and creates serious problems like blockages and sewer overflows? When washed down the sink, grease sticks to the insides of your sewer pipes (both on your property and in the streets). Over time, grease buildup can clog an entire pipeline, causing sewer overflows in your home and neighborhood. The damage from overflows could cost you thousands of dollars!

To prevent sewer overflows:

- Don't pour cooking oil, greasy food, dairy products, or salad dressing down the drain.
- Use strainers in the sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids.
- Do not use hot water and soap to try to wash grease down the drain.
- Pour cooled grease into a disposable container, freeze, and toss in the garbage once frozen.
- Mix cooking oils with absorbent material such as coffee grounds or cat litter, and dispose of it in garbage.
- Wipe or scrape food particles from pots, pans and dishes into the trash can prior to placing them in the sink for washing.



*Fats, oils, and grease can clog pipelines.*

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